District of Columbia Office on Aging Fact Sheet

Who We Are

The D.C. Office on Aging is the State and Area Agency on Aging designated by the Mayor of the District of Columbia to plan, develop and implement programs and services for residents 60 years of age and older. We fund a senior service network of providers (Office on Aging Senior Service Network) consisting of 21 community- based nonprofit organizations (including four universities) that operate 36 programs for senior citizens.

Programs and Services

Adult Day CareAlzheimer's Services

Caregiver SupportCase Management

Education

Emergency ShelterGroup Homes

Group Mid-Day Meals

Health Insurance Counseling

Home Delivered Meal Program

In-Home SupportLegal Services

Long Term Care OmbudsmanMulti-Purpose Senior Centers

Nursing Home

Nutrition CounselingRespite Aid Services

TransportationWellness Centers

Service Area

Five lead agencies provide a wide range of social and health services throughout the eight wards of the city. These agencies act as community satellites that continually strengthen our link to older Washingtonians.

Barney Neighborhood House Service Area: Wards 1 and 4

Contact: (202) 939-9020

IONA Senior Services

Service Area: Ward 3 and parts of

Ward 2

Contact: (202) 966-1055

Greater Washington Urban League Service Area: Wards 2, 5 and 8

Contact: (202) 529-8701

United Planning Organization Senior

Services

Service Area: Ward 6 Contact: (202) 547-0569

United Planning Organization/Project KEEN Comprehensive Senior Program

Service Area: Ward 7 Contact: (202) 388-4280

Government of the District of Columbia Anthony A. Williams, Mayor

Although most services and programs are provided through our Senior Service Network, two direct services are performed within our administrative office. The Office on Aging operates a job training and

employment program and an information and assistance unit for District residents.

Job Training and Employment Program

The Older Workers Employment and Training Program (OWETP) assists District residents 55 years of age and older with job placement through training programs and various public/private partnerships. Since program year 1983, the office has operated an employment program for seniors in need of additional income to meet the high cost of living in the District. Employers gain dependable, safety-conscious, hard-working employees for a wide range of positions. The seniors develop opportunities for economic, professional and social growth, gaining independence and enhanced self-esteem. The city gains by moving people from dependent to independent roles, enabling seniors to continue as active and contributing members of the economy and community. Persons interested in participating in the OWETP should call, 202-724-3662.

Information and Assistance

During the weekday hours of 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. seniors, family members, caregivers and the general public can call one central location and find out how to access services that are available to seniors throughout the District of Columbia. Persons may also stop by the office to speak with someone or pick-up written materials on programs and services.

For more information, contact:



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